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OIL, GAS & MINING

Re: DOGM Permit Review, 1989 Amendment Sevier Lake Project, M/027/008-89(1) Millard County, Utah

Enclosed is Crystal Peak Minerals Corporation's response to your comment letter of April 14, 1989. As noted, time is of the essence, and I would appreciate being advised that the Crystal Peak bond matter has been placed on the May 25th pre-hearing briefing session and, if necessary, hearing schedule for the same day.

Prompt approval of the revised bonding estimate is requested.

Very truly yours,

O.W. Gushee, Jr.

OWG;djw Enclosure

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Re: DOGM Permit Review, 1989 Amendment Sevier Lake Project, M/027/008-89(1) Millard County, Utah

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to our meeting on Friday, May 5, 1989 discussing your comment letter of April 14, 1989. Crystal Peak filed the amendment with DOGM under cover of letter dated December 29, 1988 and, as we noted at the meeting, CPMC is quite anxious to receive approval of the amendment and the bonding as soon as possible. Construction on the proposed Salt Plant facility is scheduled to commence during June, 1989.

Modifications discussed at the meeting are the following: R-613-004-113 Surety.

The surety amount described in the reclamation estimate should be adjusted to reflect:

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			<u>Delete</u>	_Add	
(1)	Barrow area, grade (completed)		\$1,100		
(2)	<pre>(2) Plug water wells (2). (Delete one well agreed to be accepted by BLM)</pre>				
			2,500		
(3)	Rip Salt Pad (new procedure)		3,890		
(4)	Haul salt to nearest pond (new procedure)		23,920		
(5)	Water leaching of page	I		2,000	
(6)	Contingency (- 3 + 4 @ 10%	+ 5)			
	N	e∵ Total	\$105,000.	\$105,000.00	

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Less Corporate Surety Bonds posted with:

BLM

53,000

Division of State Land and Forestry (re: Utah Special Use Lease Agreement)

5,000

Required additional bonding

\$ 47,000.00

Crystal Peak proposes to enter into a Board Contract with the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining to cover additional bonding requirements. We request an opportunity to appear before the Board to discuss the proposal at the Board of Oil, Gas & Mining's pre-hearing briefing session and, if necessary, the hearing scheduled for May 25, 1989. A proposed document with supporting financial data will be furnished to you prior to the briefing session and hearing.

R-613-004-106.6 and 107.5.

Six inches of the sandy "top soil" will be stockpiled for future reclamation in an area Northeast of the salt pad.

R-613-004-111.3.

Upon cessation of operations, as much of the salt pad as possible will be removed and sold as product. Large rainbird type sprinklers would then be operated on and around the stockpile area to dissolve any remaining salt not sold. The dissolved salt would be drained to Sevier Lake by Crystal Peak's installed drainage system at 200 GPM. Operation of the sprinkling system over a period of two weeks should provide more than sufficient water (approximately 14 acre feet) to dissolve any remaining salt not sold. Cost of the operation, including fuel and operator, is estimated at \$2,000, as noted in the modified surety estimate above.

Please advise if you have any questions.

Very truly yours

Larry Sower

General Manager

cc: Oliver Gushee, Jr.; and William V.H. Clarke